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NEUTRALIZING ANTI-

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HEPARANASE ANTIBODIES

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## **ELECTION**

Sir:

This is in response to the United States Patent and Trademark Restriction Office Action mailed July 6, 2006, which response is being made on or before August 6, 2006, and for which no extension of time fee is due.

Applicants hereby elect **Group I**, namely Claims 1-231 and 341-370, drawn to an antibody specifically binding to or elicited by at least one epitope of a heparanase protein, pharmaceutical composition thereof, affinity medium thereof and hybridoma producing the said antibody.

The selected antibody species is the antibody that binds to the heparanase epitope identified by SEQ ID NO: 9.

Applicants elect a chemically inert, insoluble carrier that is a gel polymer as the affinity medium. It is believed that all the claims of the elected Group read on the selected species.

Applicants reserve the right to file, at a later date, additional divisional applications claiming priority from the present application which are directed to the non-elected Group.

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